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SUBJECT: HABITAT CONFERENCE: RULES OF PROCEDURE

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- 1. PURSUANT INSTRUCTION REFTEL MISSOFF CONTACTED HUGH WYNDHAM (AUSTRALIAN DEL WHO CHAIRED RULES OF PROCEDURE WORKING GROUP DURING HABITAT PREPCOM) AND RAISED ISSUE OF HIS TAKING INITIATIVE CONVENE INFORMAL WORKING GROUP BEFORE END OF THRITIETH GA IN EFFORT REACH AGREEMENT ON OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS. MISSOFF EXPLAINED US DESIRE NOT TO BURDEN JANUARY PREPCOM WITH THIS ADDITIONAL PROBLEM.
- 2. WYNDHAM INITIAL REACTION WAS NOT RPT NOT FAVORABLE TO CONVENING INFORMAL MEETING AT THIS TIME. HE DOUBTED THAT IRAQI DEL (AL KHUDAIRY), WHO WAS PRINCIPAL OBSTACLE TO REACHING AGREEMENT ON HABITAT RULES OF PROCUDURE, WOULD BE WILLING ACCOMMODATE OUR VIEWS, AND WYNDHAM DID NOT FAVOR HOLDING INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS IN ABSENCE AL KHUDAIRY.

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3. NONETHELESS, WYNDHAM UNDERTOOK APPROACH EGYPTIAN AND

ALGERIAN DELS WHO PARTICIPATED IN HABITAT RULES OF PROCEDURE WORKING GROUP, TO ASCERTAIN THEIR VIEWS ON HOLDING INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS BEFORE NEXT HABITAT PREPCOM.

- 4. WYNDHAM HAS REPORTED THAT EGYPTIAN DEL DID NOT OPPOSE IDEA, AND WISHED TO GIVE FURTHER THOUGHT TO MATTER. EGYPTIAN DEL HAS ALSO INDICATED, EQUIVOCALLY, THAT AL KHUDAIRY MAY NO LONGER BE AT THE IRAQI MISSION. WYNDHAM HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO LOCATE ALGERIAN DEL.
- 5. COMMENT. THOUGHT WYNDHAM HAS INDICATED TO MISSOFF WILLINGNESS TO CONTINUE PURSUE POSSIBILITY OF PRE-PREPCOM CONSULTATIONS, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THERE REMAINS SUFFICIENT TIME TO HOLD THEM BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR. IN ADDITION TO EGYPTIAN HIND THAT AL KHUDAIRY IS NO LONGER WITH IRAQI MISSION, MISSOFF HAD HEARD THAT AL KHUDARY INCURRED IRAQI PERMREP'S DISPLEASURE, APPARENTLY FOR USING MISSION TIME TO ENGAGE IN PERSONAL ENDEAVORS. IN MISSOFF VIEW, IF IT IS NOT POSSIBLE HOLD INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS PRIOR TO PREPCOM. BUT AL KHUDAIRY DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN PREPCOM. IT IS LIKELY RULES OF PROCEDURE WILL NOT POSE MAJOR ISSUE SINCE CURRENT OBSTACLE WAS PERSONAL JIHAD OF AL KHUDAIRY AND WAS NOT SUPPORTED BY ALGERIA OR EGYPT, BOTH OF WHOM WERE ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN WOKING GROUP AND BOTH OF WHOM ATTEMPTED TO CONVINCE HIM TO WITHDRAW HIS PROPOSAL. MOYNIHAN

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